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"Consumption is Preventable—then why not prevent it."
KING EDWARD VII.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Oxfordshire Branch of the National
Association

FOR THE

Prevention of Tuberculosis.

January, 1911.

*Deaths from Consumption in Oxfordshire taken from the
Reports of the Medical Officers of Health for 1909 :—*

OXFORD :

660 deaths from all causes, of which 76 (more than 1 in 9) from
Consumption.

128 deaths between ages 5—35, 53 (more than one-third) from
Consumption.

74 deaths between ages 5—25, 36 (nearly half) from Consumption.

OXFORDSHIRE :

2651 deaths from all causes, of which 270 from Consumption.

*Rules for Constitution of Association—adopted
provisionally January 10th, 1910.*

I. Oxfordshire Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis
in connection with the National Association.

II. Objects of the Association.

(a) To establish for the County of Oxford a centre for the Study, Treatment and Control of Tuberculosis in all its forms.

(b) To spread a knowledge of the laws of health and to encourage and carry out all measures tending to prevent the spread of infection.

(c) To secure the co-operation of Public Authorities, Councils and Boards of Guardians and all private and charitable agencies in matters relating to Consumption and its prevention.

III. Members of the Association.

Subscribers of 2s. 6d. a year shall be members during the continuance of their subscription.

IV. Government: shall be vested in

(a) A Central Council for Oxfordshire on which the Chairman of County Council, Chairman of City Council, Chairmen of District Councils, Chairmen of Boards of Guardians, Medical Officers of Health, and Representatives of all co-operating Charitable and Public Bodies shall be asked to serve. The Council to have powers to add to its number.

(b) Officers shall consist of President, Hon. Treasurer, and Hon. Secretary.

(c) Executive Council to appoint a committee of its members. The Officers of the Council are *ex-officio* members of Executive Committee.

(d) Local Sub-Committees. The Council to establish throughout the County Local Sub-Committees at convenient centres to organise and carry out the work of the Association.

V. Annual Meeting.

There shall be an annual meeting of members of the Association held early in each year to receive Reports and appoint Officers.

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REPORT.

THE COUNCIL of the OXFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION presents the following Report of the scheme of work it has adopted in the belief that it may prove effectual in checking the further spread of consumption and asks your co-operation.

Any work of this nature which has to deal with so large an area as a County or group of Counties must be mainly educational and preventive. Prolonged treatment of individual cases is costly and as a preventive measure of relatively little value, whereas by a uniform system of home treatment and supervision it should be possible to achieve the object the Society has in view at a comparatively small cost.

Dispensary.

The preventive work of the scheme of the Association centres round the Dispensary which is at once the basis of operations and a connecting link between all other factors.

The Radcliffe Infirmary has opened such a Dispensary in the form of a Special Out-Patient Department on Fridays at 11 for Consumptives only. The Department is in the care of Dr. STOBIE and the Physicians of the Radcliffe Infirmary. No turns are needed; it is free to all necessitous consumptive patients in the District. Since its opening on October 7th last, 170 cases have been entered on the books of the Dispensary, and the number of attendances has been 476, attaining an average of between 40 and 50 a day for the last few weeks. Many of the patients come from long distances, as for instance, Banbury, Witney and Bicester.

Besides the attendances on Friday a few selected cases come to the the Radcliffe Infirmary in the evening twice a week for tuberculin treatment.

Visits to the homes of patients, and the examination of all members of a family who are, or have been, in possible contact with a consumptive form an important part of the work of the Dispensary.

Dr. STOBIE has paid many such visits in Oxford and the County. Of all cases, whether attending the Dispensary or visited in their own homes, careful records are kept at the Radcliffe Infirmary and Miss LINTON, the Almoner, has done valuable work of this kind.

Notification.

Notification of every case, if the patient consents in writing, is sent to the respective Medical Officers of Health. If a patient is already under the care of a doctor notice is sent to him from the Department.

Doctor and Nurse.

The Oxford City Council has contributed to the salary of Dr. STOBIE, the Tuberculosis Officer of the Association, and has attached him to their Department of Public Health. He devotes his whole time to preventive work in the City and County.

Nurse FRYER, who was trained at the Radcliffe Infirmary, and knows the Oxford District well, has been appointed Nurse to the Tuberculosis Department at a salary of £100 a year and travelling expenses. She has been sent by the Committee to Edinburgh for a month's training in this special work, and will begin her duties in Oxford on February 1st.

The Association hopes that the Public Authorities, Medical Officers and Nursing Associations will avail themselves of the experience and services of both Doctor and Nurse.

Home Cases and Supervision of Patients.

To ensure that all the Patients of the Dispensary are cared for in their own homes and carry out the necessary precautions against the spread of infection, the Association has secured the help of small committees (where possible the committees of Nursing Associations) or correspondents in many centres throughout the County, to whom notice of persons in their neighbourhood attending the Dispensary may be sent, and on whom the Association may rely for supervision and reports of cases entrusted to their charge. The work of local correspondents is already being kindly and admirably done, and the value of Dispensary treatment is immensely increased by the home supervision which their care ensures.

Branch Dispensaries.

The Association hopes to arrange that the Tuberculosis Officer shall attend on stated days at out-lying centres of the County and co-operate with local Medical Men in the work of prevention. A Branch Dispensary will shortly be opened at Witney.

Shelters.

The Association provides a simple form of shelter which can be put up in gardens or fields and serve for home open air treatment, and may sometimes solve the difficulty of isolating infectious cases in crowded homes. The type of shelter which has been adopted is that used by Dr. Lyster at Baddow. It costs £7 to £8. The shelters will be the property of the Association, and lent for the use of patients at the order of the Dispensary.

Free Examination of Sputum.

The Tuberculosis Officer undertakes, free of charge, the examination of all specimens of sputum sent in proper bottles to the Department by doctors in the district.

Agreement with Public Authorities.

In July last an application was made to the District Councils asking for their support and grants towards the work of Prevention of Consumption.

After communications on the subject had passed between one or two of the Councils in Oxfordshire and the Local Government Board, an agreement was drawn up which meets the requirements of the Public Health Act of 1875, and into which the Councils can enter. It provides for the Hospital Treatment of patients sent by them to the Association in consideration of grants made for that purpose. A resolution passed by the Committee of Management of the Radcliffe Infirmary has enabled the Association to provide without further delay the treatment the Act requires. Several of the Oxfordshire and Berkshire Councils have already entered into this agreement with the Association.

The co-operation of the Public Authorities and their recognition of the value of preventive measures is of the first importance in a campaign against consumption.

The public services which are under their control—the housing of the working classes, sanitation, food and water supplies—are the main factors for good and evil in the health of the community. In this belief the Association made has a further appeal to the District Councils, asking them to adopt some form of notification of consumption, and first and foremost for their co-operation in providing hospital accommodation for advanced and incurable cases, which are a menace to their surroundings.

Sanatorium.

The Association has so far failed to find a site for a Sanatorium, but is now in communication with owners of property for ground which may prove suitable for the purpose.

The Sanatorium when built should be mainly for educational purposes. The majority of Dispensary patients should pass a month or six weeks there and learn the habits and precautions of a life which shall not endanger others. The aftercare assured by attending (when possible) at the Dispensary, by visits of the doctor and nurse, and the supervision of the correspondents and district nurses, should enable the patient to carry on sanatorium treatment in his own home.

It will not provide for those patients who can afford to pay for treatment at one of the sanatoria already existing, but the Association will endeavour to give all assistance and information, and make arrangements for the admission of patients who can afford prolonged treatment into one of these institutions.

GRANTS, DONATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS,

TO DECEMBER 30TH, 1910.

*(a) Grants from District Councils in the Counties
of Oxfordshire and Berkshire.*

| | £. | s. | d. |
|--|-------------|-----------|----------|
| Abingdon (Borough) | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Abingdon (Rural) | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Bicester (Rural) | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Chipping Norton (Borough) | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Crowmarsh | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Culham | 6 | 6 | 0 |
| Henley (Borough) | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| Henley (Rural) | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| Thame (Borough) | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Thame (Rural) | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Witney (Urban District) | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Woodstock (Borough) | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| Oxford City Council towards the salary of Tuberculosis Officer (for six months from October 7th, 1910) | 60 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>£173</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>0</u> |

(b) Donations promised.

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|
| J. F. Mason, Esq., M.P. | 500 | 0 | 0 |
| Lady Wantage | 100 | 0 | 0 |
| Mrs. Wyatt | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| Lady Rose | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>£645</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |

(c) Donations to Sanatorium Fund.

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| Miss Cardwell | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Miss Greswell | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Mrs. Gifford | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| F. W. B. Gubbins, Esq. | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>£35</u> | <u>10</u> | <u>0</u> |

(d) Donations and Subscriptions, 1910.

| | £. | s. | d. |
|---|-----|----|----|
| Mrs. G. H. Morrell | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Mrs. Gillett | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Miss Price | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| Mrs. Tylden | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Professor Osler | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| Hon. Mrs. Ponsonby | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| M. R. Newbolt, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| H. G. Belcher, Esq. | | 5 | 0 |
| Miss L. E. Dillon | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Vernon Watney, Esq. | 100 | 0 | 0 |
| Captain Barnett | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| The Master of Balliol College | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Sir "Ernest" Trevelyan | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Rev. A. H. Johnson | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Professor Haverfield | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| The Warden of New College | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Miss Sands | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| J. Theodore Dodd, Esq. | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| " " " " " " | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| W. M. Geldart, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Mrs. Wyatt | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Sir Paul Makins | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| J. W. Hardcastle, Esq. | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| W. F. Pepper, Esq. | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| " " " " " " | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Miss E. M. Steel | | 5 | 0 |
| Lady Makins | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| T. S. Moore, Esq. | | 5 | 0 |
| Miss Davenport Hill | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Mrs. Percy Gardner | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Mrs. Pinhorn | | 2 | 6 |
| Miss Ivy Williams | | 5 | 0 |
| W. Collier, Esq., M.D. | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Captain Watt | | 10 | 6 |
| Mrs. Vincent | | 5 | 0 |
| Dr. Sanday | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Mrs. West Jones | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| C. C. J. Webb, Esq. | | 10 | 0 |
| Major and Mrs. Lever | | 10 | 6 |
| E. F. Davidson, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| A. E. Lynam, Esq. | | 10 | 6 |
| E. Gelderd Somervell, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| E. E. Genner, Esq. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| F. T. Long, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |

| | £. | s. | d. |
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| Lieut.-Colonel England | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Miss Acland | | 5 | 0 |
| Mrs. G. M. Gillett | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Mrs. Smith | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Rev. G. B. Cronshaw | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Albert Brassey, Esq. | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Professor Somerville | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Dockray | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| A. T. Waterhouse, Esq. | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Rev. W. E. Emmett | | 5 | 0 |
| R. Evans, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| F. de Zulueta, Esq. | | 10 | 0 |
| Mrs. Archer Tawney | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Jason Saunders, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| W. Bilborough, Esq. | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| P. V. M. Benecke, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Mrs. Bradshaw | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| H. Morley, Esq. | | 2 | 6 |
| Miss A. G. Venables | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Miss E. Venables | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Ernest Mallam, Esq., M.D. | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| Anonymous, per ditto | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| E. A. Burchardt, Esq. | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Chipping Norton Saturday Hospital Fund | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| Mrs. Early | | 5 | 0 |
| C. Dorrington Batts, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| " " " | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| J. Tracy, Esq. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Miss A. Raleigh | | 10 | 0 |
| E. W. Hayes, Esq. | | 10 | 0 |
| H. T. Gerrans, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| F. W. Nicholson, Esq. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Oxford | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Miss Merivale | | 10 | 0 |
| J. L. Etty, Esq. | | 2 | 6 |
| H. P. Symonds, Esq. | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| G. Sheppard, Esq. | | 10 | 6 |
| Dr. H. T. Gillett | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Sir William Anson, Bart., M.P. | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| H. R. Beeton, Esq. | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Professor A. Thomson | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| James Wicks, Esq. (the late) | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| W. H. Ashhurst, Esq. | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| Dr. C. Maude | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Rev. F. J. Lys | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Dr. E. Schuster | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Miss G. Barnett | | 5 | 0 |

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| E. A. Burchardt, Esq. | . | . | . | . | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| W. H. Crawshay, Esq. | . | . | . | . | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Miss Hylda Bellairs | . | . | . | . | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Miss C. C. West | . | . | . | . | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| H. M. Vernon, Esq. | . | . | . | . | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Capt. G. H. Barnett | . | . | . | . | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Miss Sands | . | . | . | . | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| F. W. Nicholson, Esq. | . | . | . | . | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Lady Makins | . | . | . | . | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| C. Dorrington Batts, Esq. | . | . | . | . | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Miss Davenport Hill | . | . | . | . | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| P. V. M. Benecke, Esq. | . | . | . | . | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Wallingford Board of Guardians | . | . | . | . | 1 | 1 | 0 |
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Provisional—January 20th, 1911.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

| Receipts. | | | | | £. s. d. | | |
|-----------|--|-----|-----|-----|----------|----|---|
| (a) | Grants from District Councils in Oxfordshire and Berkshire | ... | ... | ... | 173 | 16 | 0 |
| (b) | Donations promised | ... | ... | ... | 645 | 0 | 0 |
| (c) | Donations to Sanatorium Fund | ... | ... | ... | 35 | 0 | 0 |
| (d) | Donations and Subscriptions, 1910 | ... | ... | ... | 433 | 4 | 6 |
| (e) | Subscriptions to date, 1911 | ... | ... | ... | 56 | 19 | 6 |
| | | | | | <hr/> | | |
| | | | | | £1344 | 0 | 0 |

| Expenditure. | | | | | £. s. d. | | | £. s. d. | | |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----------|----|---|----------|----|---|
| (a) | Tuberculosis Officer— | | | | | | | | | |
| | Salary, etc., to December 1st | ... | ... | ... | 56 | 3 | 0 | | | |
| | Travelling Expenses | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 7 | 0 | | | |
| | Motor Bicycle | ... | ... | ... | 48 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| | | | | | <hr/> | | | 111 | 10 | 0 |
| (b) | Nurse— | | | | | | | | | |
| | Expenses to Edinburgh | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| | Training | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 4 | 0 | | | |
| | | | | | <hr/> | | | 9 | 4 | 0 |
| (c) | Expenses of Dispensary— | | | | | | | | | |
| | Furniture | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 18 | 3 | | | |
| | Equipment | ... | ... | ... | 9 | 12 | 8 | | | |
| | Printing | ... | ... | ... | 17 | 0 | 6 | | | |
| | | | | | <hr/> | | | 31 | 11 | 5 |
| (d) | Printing, Postage, etc. | ... | ... | ... | | | | 32 | 10 | 6 |
| (e) | Shelters— | | | | | | | | | |
| | 1. Boars Hill | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 10 | 0 | | | |
| | 2. Fyfield | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 18 | 6 | | | |
| | 3. Elsfield | ... | ... | ... | 10 | 19 | 3 | | | |
| | | | | | <hr/> | | | 22 | 7 | 9 |
| (f) | Grants to Special Cases— | | | | | | | | | |
| | (1) | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| | (2) | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 16 | 6 | | | |
| | | | | | <hr/> | | | 9 | 16 | 6 |
| | Cheques | ... | ... | ... | | | | | 5 | 0 |
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